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This paper is a request for a continuation under 37 CFR 1.53(d) of:

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METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A SEMICONDUCTOR DE Title:

Prior U.S. application no:

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The prior application was complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or was a national stage of an international application filed in compliance with 35 USC §371.

This request for a CPA is the reference to the prior application noted above as required by 35 USC §120. Kindly abandon the prior application in favor of the continued proceedings that are requested herein.

Kindly enter the unentered amendment, which was previously filed on July 27, 2000, but was not entered in the prior prosecution of this case.

The prior application is assigned of record to Semiconductor Energy Laboratory Co., Ltd., a Japanese corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on June 29, 1998 at reel/frame 9281/0040.

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